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Mengele fingerprints disclosed

HAMBURG, West Germany — Israeli intelligence agents traced Nazi death camp doctor Josef Mengele to South America 25 years ago and obtained his fingerprints from Interpol at the same time, a West German magazine said yesterday.

The Hamburg weekly news magazine Stern said Israeli authorities gave one of its reporters a copy of the fingerprints. The magazine then turned them over to West German officials, who have posted a \$323,000 reward for Mengele's capture.

Hans Eberhard Klein, chief Frankfurt federal prosecutor responsible for tracking down war criminals, said West German authorities determined the prints were authentic and traveled to Israel last week to find out when the Israelis obtained them.

West German authorities are upset that Israel, despite international agreements, did not tell them about the fingerprints or that Israeli agents traced Mengele to South America in 1960, Stern said.